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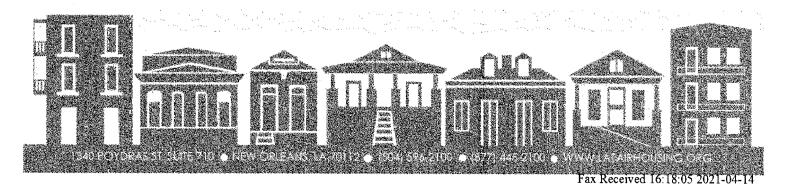
Dear Louisiana Board of Ethics Members.

I'm writing to humbly request a waiver of a \$650 late fee for filing my February 2021 lobbyist expenditures late. I work for the Louisiana Fair Housing Action Center, a small statewide non-profit, and this February was my first month registered as a lobbyist. When I registered, I made an incredibly dumb mistake and mistyped my email. That meant that when Ms. Millet sent the reminder email about filing expenditures, or when she sent additional emails explaining my lateness, I missed all of them. She finally made a courtesy call that she was in no way required to make on April 7th and was able to contact me. I was mortified and immediately filed, as I actually had no expenditures to report. She also notified me of the \$50/day late fee, which by that point had accrued to \$650. I take full responsibility for my actions and am only appealing to you now because as a small non-profit, this is not something we've budgeted for.

I can also assure you that I've since read up on my responsibilities to file expenditures, created a recurring calendar reminder for myself, and expect to always have my filings in well ahead of the deadline in the future. I appreciate your time and consideration of this matter and do not need to appear before the board unless you would prefer it. I can otherwise be reached at mciardullo@lafairhousing.org or 504.708.8172.

Sincerely,

Maxwell Ciardullo
Director of Policy and Communications
Louisiana Fair Housing Action Center



From: Julia Peek

## **FAX COVER SHEET**

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FROM	Julia Peek	
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## **COVER MESSAGE**

Please see the request for a waiver of a late fee for Maxwell Ciardullo, an employee of the Louisiana Fair Housing Action Center. Thank you.



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